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THE COMMONWEALTH.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1863.

KENTUCKY LEGISLATURE.

IN SENATE.

MONDAY, Dec. 14, 1863.

Prayer by Rev. JOHN N. NORTON, of the Episcopal church.

The journal of Saturday was read by the clerk.

A PETITION

Was presented by Mr. COCKRILL, which was appropriately referred.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. FISK—Revised Statutes—A bill to amend section 17, of chapter 84, Revised Statutes, entitled roads and pass-ways: passed.

Same—A bill to amend section 25, chapter 24, of the Revised Statutes: passed.

Mr. ALEXANDER—County Courts—A bill for the benefit of the executors of R. R. Revill deceased: passed.

RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. PRALL, from the committee on Fis-
cal Relations, offered the following resolu-
tions, which were briefly discussed by Messrs.
PRALL, MCLEARY, and ROBINSON, and
unanimously adopted, viz:

Write the people of Kentucky feel sentiments
of the highest admiration for all the brave officers
and soldiers fighting in the cause of the Union,
and for the preservation of the Government of
our fathers, wherever their field of operations
may be, we ascertain a peculiar gratitude for
those who have given us the recent victories,
under the lead of that gallant and patriotic officer,
Gen. U. S. Grant, at Lookout Mountain,
and Chickamauga, and also those under the im-
mediate command of the chivalrous Burnside,
who have relieved the loyal people of East Ten-
nessee from rebel rule and tyranny, and have also
in a great measure, secured the people of
Kentucky from the dire calamity of another rebel
invasion—therefore,

Resolved by the General Assembly of the
Commonwealth of Kentucky:

That General U. S. Grant and General Ambrose
B. Burnside, together with the brave officers and
men under their command, deserve the thanks of
Kentucky, and the same are hereby tendered
to each and every man of them for their
brilliant victories and achievements in said cam-
paign.

Mr. PRALL offered resolutions of inquiry
into the expediency of increasing the fees of
officers to correspond with the currency and
price of living, which were adopted.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Was granted to Mr. GRIER, indefinitely.

HOUSE BILLS.

Several House bills were read and appro-
priately referred.

LEAVES.

Leave was given to bring in the following
bills, which were appropriately referred, viz:

Mr. BOOTTS—To amend section 2, article
1, chapter 83, of Revised Statutes.

Same—To amend the revenue laws.

H. R. RESOLUTIONS.

The joint resolutions in regard to the death
of Hon. John J. Crittenden, were unanimously
adopted.

A MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

Was received, by J. R. PAO, Asst Sec'y of
State, nominating sundry persons as notaries
public, which nominations were unanimously
confirmed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Resolution of Mr. CLEVELAND, relative
to extending the session of the Legisla-
ture beyond sixty days.

Mr. GOODLUE moved to postpone further
consideration until the 21st day of January:
rejected.

The resolution was then rejected.

MOTIONS.

Mr. ALEXANDER moved that a bill for
the establishment of the 10th judicial dis-
trict, be made the special order for to-mor-
row, (Tuesday,) at 11 o'clock; at which time
the committee on the Judiciary will report
by bill or otherwise: adopted.

Mr. MARSHALL moved that Mr. BRIS-
TOW, senator from Christian, have leave of
absence: adopted.

ELECTION OF UNITED STATES SENATOR.

A message was received from the H. R.
announcing that they had amended the Sen-
ate resolution relative to the election of Uni-
ted States Senator, by substituting the 21st
day of January 1864, in place of the 14th
day of December, and asking the concurrence
of the Senate therein.

Mr. FISK moved an adjournment: nega-
tive, 8 to 2.

Mr. ALEXANDER then moved to take
up the House amendment to the resolution
of the Senate fixing upon this day for the
election of U. S. Senator.

Mr. BUSH moved a call of the Senate:
rejected—yeas, 8; nays, 23.

Mr. ALEXANDER'S motion was then
adopted.

The amendment of the House fixing the
21st day of January, 1864, as the day for
the election of U. S. Senator, was then con-
cluded in by yeas, 20; nays, 13.

And then the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MONDAY, Dec. 14, 1863.

Prayer by Rev. J. M. LANCASTER, of the
Catholic church.

The journal of Saturday was read by the
clerk.

PETITIONS

Were presented by Messrs. LINLEY,
BARNES, and LUTTRELL.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Mr. J. R. THOMAS—Corporate Institu-
tions—for the benefit of the town of Burks-
ville, passed.

SELECT COMMITTEE.

Mr. SPARKS—For the benefit of Alex-
Dean: passed.

LEASE TO BRING IN BILLS.

The following leaves to bring in bills were
granted, and appropriately referred, viz:

Mr. McGINNIS—To change a voting
place in Anderson county.

Mr. FISHER—Benefit of the common
school districts of Carroll county.

Mr. SANDAGE—To make it the duty of
coroners, in the absence of proper officers,
to summon jurors.

Mr. BEDFORD—To amend an act con-
cerning roads.

Mr. T. R. TAYLOR—To regulate the fees
of jailers of this Commonwealth.

Mr. BROOKS—For the benefit of Lavi-
Sowers, of Rockcastle county.

Mr. LINLEY—To regulate the election of
town officers of Smithland.

Mr. NEALE—Benefit of Silas J. Green,
administrator of the estate of Thos Barnes,
deceased.

Mr. ENGLISII—To extend the jurisdiction
of the police judges of the town of Mon-
terey.

Mr. LAUCK—To amend subdivision 5,
section 10, title 2, Civil Code.

Same—To amend section 171, chapter 5,
title 6, Civil Code.

Same—To amend subdivision 1, section
440, chapter 1, title 10, Civil Code of Practice.

Mr. PETERSON—To increase the com-
missions for assessing the property in Union
county for the year 1864.

Mr. WHITE—To repeal an act entitled
an act to amend chapter 83 of Revised Statutes.

Mr. BAILEY—For the benefit of G. T.
Blakely, sheriff of Logan county.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The resolution in regard to the election of
a United States Senator was taken up, and
amended by striking out Monday, 14th, and
inserting 21st of January, 1864, and passed.

An act repealing an act allowing non-
residents aliens to inherit: passed.

An act authorizing justices of the peace
nearest the county seat, in the absence of
the county judge, to hold special terms of
court: rejected.

SENATE BILLS.

An act for the benefit of W. H. Reynolds,
sheriff of Bracken county: passed.

An act for the benefit of Jas. H. Parker,
late sheriff of the Campbell county court:
passed.

An act for the benefit of Joseph Doniphan,
late presiding judge of the Bracken county
court: passed.

A MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Was received announcing that they had
concurring in the amendment of the House,
postponing the election of United States
Senator.

RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. A. S. ALLAN offered the following
resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the committee on Ways and
Means be directed to inquire into the expediency
of making an appropriation to enlarge the State
cemetery grounds; also to bring home, as far as
possible, and inter, our brave soldiers who have
died, and been slain in this present war, without
a grave.

Mr. T. R. TAYLOR offered the following
resolution, which is on the table one day:

Whereas, by the 13th section of the act of
Congress entitled, an act for controlling and call-
ing out the National Guard, and for other pur-
poses, approved March 3, 1863, it is provided
that persons drafted may be released from the
draft upon the payment of a sum not exceeding
three hundred dollars, if so ordered by the Sec-
retary of War; and whereas, the same seems un-
wise and unjust, and is a discrimination in
favor of those who can raise and pay that sum,
and against those who are unable to do so. There-
fore,

*Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the
Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

1. That our Senators in Congress be instructed,
and our Representatives be requested to vote
for the repeal of said section of said act.

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Mr. WEIR presented the report of the
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TUESDAY.....DECEMBER 15, 1863.

The Governor's Mansion will be open for the reception of visitors every Monday evening during the session of the Legislature, from 8 to 11 o'clock—commencing on Monday evening the 21st instant.

UNITED STATES SENATOR.—On yesterday, both branches of the Legislature fixed upon Thursday, January 21st, 1864, as the day for the election of a United States Senator, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the expiration of the term of L. W. Powell.

ATTENTION.—Rude and badly raised boys have commenced shooting crackers and making other disturbances on the public streets, to the great annoyances of the people. These things must stop, and we have authority for assuring these boys and their parents that such conduct will not be permitted, and that the officers will promptly arrest, prosecute, fine, and jail the guilty parties. It would be well for these thoughtless boys to take notice and be warned in time.

EXLISTED MINORS.—Judge Advocate Holt had decided that the President's late proclamation suspending the writ of habeas corpus undoubtedly includes in its provisions the case of a minor enlisted without his parent's consent in whose behalf, therefore, such writ cannot be issued; that minors between the ages of eighteen and twenty-one years cannot be discharged at all; that minors under eighteen cannot be discharged if in their oath of enlistment it is set forth that they are fully of that age, and that in case a minor actually under eighteen, whose age is correctly stated in his oath, or who has been enlisted or mustered without taking a formal oath, discharge can be obtained only upon a full statement of all the facts in proper form, addressed to the discretion of the Secretary of War.

Gen. A. L. Lee, who has been distinguishing himself in the vicinity of Iberia and Vermillion, Louisiana, of late, is said to be a native of New England, but entered the service as Colonel of a Kansas regiment. He was assigned to Gen. Grant's Department early last spring, and arrived only in time to participate in some of the first movements upon Vicksburg. He received a painful wound in the face on the 19th of May in the first general assault upon the rebel works in the rear of Vicksburg, and proceeded to New York for surgical treatment. Upon his recovery in the fall, he was assigned to the command of Gen. Hovey's old division of the Thirteenth Army Corps, then stationed at New Orleans. For two or three months he has been engaged in fighting the rebels in the vicinity of Vermillion river.

HONOR PAID TO USEFUL INVENTIONS.—Among the Greeks, the inventor of the saw has been enrolled in their mythology with a place among the gods, and honored as one of the greatest benefactors of the human race. The invention is attributed to Icarus, the son of Dædalus, who is said to have taken the first hint from the spine, or back-bone, of a flat fish. The saws of the Grecian carpenters, had the same form, and were made in the like ingenious manner as ours are at present. This is fully shown by a painting still preserved among the antiquities of Herakleum.

Official Vote of Ohio.

GOVERNOR.

John Brough.....288,374

C. L. Vandigham.....187,492

Brough's majority.....100,882

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Charles Anderson.....288,031

Georgia E. Pugh.....190,552

Anderson's majority.....97,479

MADAME ANNA BISHOP.—We have received a letter from the Business Agent of Mad. Anna Bishop, requesting us to announce that this renowned Cantatrice will give a concert in our city in a short time, of which due notice will be given. She will be assisted by her talented daughter, Miss Louise Bishop, who is celebrated as a vocalist and pianist, and Mr. A. Sedgwick, the celebrated Buffo singer and Concertist. A rare musical treat is in store for our citizens and strangers visiting our city.

We have received Godey's Lady's Book for January, 1864. Its steel plates, fashion plates, work plates, &c., its choice stories and poems, its vigorous old age and successful career, all promise well for the new volume.

Godey's is still far ahead of all competitors as a Lady's Book of fashion. And the literary matter is of a superior order. Terms \$3 per year; two copies for \$5; three copies for \$6; or four copies for \$7.

PERSONAL.—Gen. J. T. Boyle was in our city yesterday.

TENNESSEANS IN REBEL PRISONS.—A dispatch to the New York Times states that Andrew Johnson, Jr., arrived in Washington on the 3d inst., from Richmond, having been exchanged for Colonel Chandler, of Baltimore. He says Lewis M. Beard, of Campbell county, Tenn., is amongst the prisoners in Castle Thunder. Mr. Beard is an old man, and is gradually sinking under his sufferings. He has five sons and eight grandsons in the Union army. Mr. Johnson was confined in Castle Thunder, and represents that the prisoners there suffer for food; but that prison is a paradise compared with Belle Island.—*Nashville Union*.

THE DRAFT.—We learn that Harlan & Harlan are authorized by the Board of Enrollment, to prepare exemption papers from the draft.

We take the following extract from the letter of the correspondent of the Louisville Journal, published in that paper of the 10th instant.

We take pleasure in again having the opportunity to call attention to the gallant hearing of Col. W. W. Berry.

[Correspondence of the Louisville Journal.]

A Three Days Fight—Storming of Mission Ridge—Taking of Lookout Mountain, &c.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., Nov. 30, 1863.

In accordance with a trite, though somewhat ludicrous saying, I will "begin at the beginning," by giving you the military status of the 2d brigade, Gen. Hazen commanding; 3d division, Gen. Wood commanding; 4th army corps, Maj. Gen. Gordon Granger commanding; as it is to these I am attached, and will therefore most particularly allude. Well, the 2d brigade is composed of the following nominal skeleton regiments, to wit: 6th Ohio, 6th Kentucky, 6th Indiana, 124th, 41st, 93d, and 1st Ohio, and the 23d and 5th Kentucky. On or about the 20th inst., an order was issued organizing the foregoing regiments of this brigade into battalions, as follows: 41st and 93d O. V. I., Colonel Wiley, of the 41st, commanding; 5th Kentucky (Louisville Legion) and 6th Indiana, Colonel W. W. Berry, 5th Kentucky, commanding; 6th Ohio, Lieutenant Christopher, commanding; 124th O. V. I., and 6th Kentucky, Lieutenant Col. Pickands, commanding; 23d Kentucky, commanding; 1st Ohio, Lieutenant Col. Langdon, commanding. The above was the formation of each battalion, which was varied a little on Monday, 23d inst., but in which order of organization they went into line of battle and fought on Wednesday.

ATTENTION.—Rude and badly raised boys have commenced shooting crackers and making other disturbances on the public streets, to the great annoyances of the people. These things must stop, and we have authority for assuring these boys and their parents that such conduct will not be permitted, and that the officers will promptly arrest, prosecute, fine, and jail the guilty parties. It would be well for these thoughtless boys to take notice and be warned in time.

EXLISTED MINORS.—Judge Advocate Holt had decided that the President's late proclamation suspending the writ of habeas corpus undoubtedly includes in its provisions the case of a minor enlisted without his parent's consent in whose behalf, therefore, such writ cannot be issued; that minors between the ages of eighteen and twenty-one years cannot be discharged at all; that minors under eighteen cannot be discharged if in their oath of enlistment it is set forth that they are fully of that age, and that in case a minor actually under eighteen, whose age is correctly stated in his oath, or who has been enlisted or mustered without taking a formal oath, discharge can be obtained only upon a full statement of all the facts in proper form, addressed to the discretion of the Secretary of War.

Col. W. W. Berry, of the 5th Kentucky (Louisville Legion), has again covered himself with glory. During the storming of the Ridge, and whilst nearing its top, he was severely wounded in three or four places, and was unhorsed. A soldier of the 5th Kentucky, noting the situation of his brave and dauntless leader, called to some of his comrades to assist in bearing the General to the foot of the hill. "Carry me up, boys, if you carry me up, there is my place!" exclaimed the model hero, smarting with the pain of several severe wounds. He was accordingly borne to the top of the Ridge, placed upon his horse, and he continued to inspire his men with his devoted presence, until his voice failed, from physical exhaustion, to utter the word of command, "Carry me up, boys!" Think of it, reader, the shot and shell falling thick around him and himself wounded! Will the "powers that be" carry him up to his merited niche, or will they continue to court the scorn of this army for their palpable dereliction? If ever an officer meritoriously deserved a * it is in the person of the brave, efficient, heroic, gallant Col. W. W. Berry.

Lieut. Col. Langdon of the 1st Ohio, another brave and fearless officer, was severely wounded.

A sergeant of the 93d Ohio, whose name we have failed to learn, succeeded in capturing a stand of colors from the enemy in a gallant and daring manner.

A rebel lieutenant, who was wounded and subsequently fell into our hands, expressed in terms of wonder and admiration, what he termed the wholesale bravery of our unexpected assault. He further asserted that, as far as he was aware, Bragg had not entertained the remotest idea that the Ridge would ever be stormed, and, least of all, that he would have been attacked and ousted in the manner that he was! It is indeed calculated to challenge the wonder and admiration of both friend and foe; but we will not endeavor to "gild" refined gold."

All is quiet here now. Our army is partially on the move, but it would be contraband to state in what direction they are marching. The weather is clear and cold. More anon.

W. S. GAFFNEY ("Hoosier"),
Co E, 6th Reg. Ind. Vol.

THE EXEMPTION QUESTION.—For the benefit of those who may draw a prize in the forthcoming draft and fail to obtain exemption on the ground of physical disability or other causes, we will state that it is made the duty of the surgeon to examine every conscript who may report for duty; but an order from the Provost Marshal General grants to every one the right to commute after having failed to procure exemption by any other means. The following is a copy of the order filed with conscripting Provost Marshals on the subject: "A person drafted into the military service of the United States, under the provisions of the act of March 3, 1863, chapter 75, for enrolling and calling out the national forces, and for other purposes, claiming exemption from draft by reason of any disability as provided in said act, has the right to have the question of his disability submitted to and passed upon by the Board of Enrollment, whose decision thereon is final. If the Board shall have decided that the claimant is liable to serve, he has the right after such decision against him to pay his commutation money, or furnish a substitute, within such extended time as may be fixed by order of the Board of Enrollment for his appearance for duty."

It is announced that on Sunday last Hon. B. Graz Brown united himself with the First Presbyterian Church in St. Louis.

How the President Spends His Time.

In one of his recent letters from Washington to the Boston Journal, "Perly" gives some details of the daily life of the President. He says:

Mr. Lincoln is an early riser, and he is thus able to devote two or three hours each morning to his voluminous private correspondence, besides glancing at a city paper. At nine he breakfasts—then walks over to the War Office to read such war telegrams as they give him, (occasionally some are withheld,) and to have a chat with Gen. Halleck on the military situation, in which he takes a great interest. Returning to the White House, he goes through the morning's mail, in company with a private secretary. Some letters are indorsed and sent to the Departments—others are entrusted to the secretary, who makes a minute of the reply which he is to make—and others the President retains, that he may answer them himself. Every letter receives attention, and all which are entitled to a reply receive one, no matter how they are worded, or how inelegant the chirography may be.

Tuesdays and Fridays are Cabinet days, but on other days, visitors at the White House are requested to wait in the ante-chamber, and send in their cards. Sometimes, before the President has finished reading his mail, Louis will have a handful of pasteboard, and from the cards laid before him, Mr. Lincoln has visitors ushered in, giving precedence to acquaintances. Three or four hours do they pour in, in rapid suc-

cession, nine out of ten asking offices, and patiently does the President listen to their applications.

Cards and anxiety have furrowed his rather homely features, yet, occasionally he is "reminded of an anecdote," and good-humored glances beam from his clear, gray eyes, while his ringing laugh shows that he is not "used up" yet. The simple and natural manner in which he delivers his thoughts make him appear to those visiting him, like an earnest, affectionate friend. He makes little parades of his legal science, and rarely indulges in speculative propositions, but states his ideas in plain Anglo-Saxon, illuminated by many lively images and pleasing allusions, which seem to flow as if in obedience to a irresistible impulse of his nature. Some newspaper admirer attempts to deny that the President tells stories. Why, it is rarely that any one is in his company for fifteen minutes without hearing a good tale, appropriate to the subject talked about. Many a metaphysical argument does he demolish by simply telling an anecdote, which exactly overthrows the verbal structure.

About 4 o'clock the President sees any more company, and often accompanies his wife in her carriage, to take a drive. He is fond of horseback exercise, and when passing the summer at the Soldier's Home, used generally to go to and fro in the saddle.

The President dines at 6, and it is rare that some personal friends do not grace the round dining table, where he throws off the cares of office," &c., &c.

We clip the following from the Louisville Journal, of the 14th instant:

CAMP NELSON.—Gen. Fry, at his own request, has been retired as Commander of the Post at Camp Nelson, and Col. S. G. Griffin, of the Sixth New Hampshire regiment, takes his place. Gen. Fry still commands the District of Northern Central Kentucky.

Capt. George C. Parker, A. A. Q. M., for some time past in charge of transportation at Camp Nelson, has been relieved and assigned to duty on the road between that post and Knoxville. Capt. L. C. Noble, formerly of the Post at Lexington, takes his place.

The Ninety-first Indiana regiment arrived at Camp Nelson about ten days since, from Russellville, and left on Thursday, for the front.

The Government bakery at Camp Nelson took fire one night last week, and burned to the ground. It is supposed to be the work of an incendiary. Another bakery is in course of erection.

Mr. Homer L. Gould, nephew of Major General Burnside, and Post-Sutler at Camp Nelson was married on Thursday morning to Miss Mollie Haselden, one of the fairest of the fair dowers of Garrard county.

Liquor drinkers and cigar smokers are having an interesting time in Richmond, Va. Read the following which we clip from Richmond Dispatch, of Dec. 5:

LIQUORS.—The following quotations we believe to be the ruling prices in the market: Whisky \$60, to \$75 per gallon; old Kentucky \$30; apple brandy \$50 to \$55; French brandy \$30 to \$125; old Hennessy \$180; Scotch whisky \$20; champagne (extra) \$350 per dozen; claret (qts.) \$90 to \$100; gin \$150 per case; Alsop's Ale (qts.) \$110; gin \$60.

CIGARS.—Genuine Havana cigars \$800.

NIGHT AND DAY TRAVELING.—Many people are averse to traveling on railways by night, having the impression that there is greater liability to accident. The statistics tend to show the reverse to be true. A writer in the *Railroad Advocate* sues up the case for night trains pretty strongly. At night all work on the track ceases, and there are but few trains running. Drawbridges are generally all closed; switches are not so liable to be misplaced, as they are less used; the signals for trains are more certain for lights are used and can be seen further. The engineer has nothing to divert his attention by night. Roads and trees are no more liable to fall upon the track by night than by day, nor are cars more liable to break at one time than another. The passenger in a night car is more apt to keep his seat and remain quiet by night, and that is the safest thing he can do in a railway car.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE AND SLAVES.

THE undersigned, as Commissioner under a Judgment of the Scott Circuit Court, in the case of John F. Payne, trustee, vs. William Johnson and others, will be at public sale to the highest bidder *On Tuesday, the 12th of January, 1864*, the Farm on which the said Johnson now resides, situated in Scott county, three miles from Georgetown, immediately on the turnpike leading from that place to Frankfort, containing about

460 ACRES

Of first-rate Land, in a high state of cultivation, and with an ample supply of water and timber for all purposes.

This farm will be divided and sold in parcels as follows, viz:

No. 1. All that portion of the farm situated on the north side of the turnpike, containing about

242 ACRES.

And upon which the dwelling house and all other improvements necessary for comfort and convenience.

No. 2. The portion of the farm on the north side of the turnpike containing about

211 ACRES.

All under good fencing, and about 90 acres of which are first-rate timbered land. This tract is also well watered, the soil first rate, and presents superior advantages for a tract of its size.

No. 3. THE MILL PROPERTY, including TWO ACRES AND SIX POLES. This is one of the best selections for a mill in the country, being on North Elkhorn, with a fine flow of water, with a large building for mill purposes, and within three miles of Georgetown, on a good turnpike.

No. 4. The large and well arranged HEMP FACTORY, with five acres and 22 poles of land attached. The buildings necessary for a Hemp-Factory are all complete, including Large Hemp House, Hacking House, Rope Walk, &c. This factory is so situated that it can be run either by steam or water as may be desired. A fine Engine is attached to it, which with all the Machinery necessary for making Rope, will be sold at the same time.

The whole of the above property offers rare inducements to persons wishing to purchase Farms; a good Mill, or a good Hemp Factory situated in the midst of a fine rich productive neighborhood.

I will sell at the same time 12 SLAVES; consisting of men, women, boys and girls. Many of these negroes are likely and valuable, and are worthy the attention of persons wishing to purchase.

The sale will take place at the residence of Gen. W. Johnson, on the first described tract of land, at 10 o'clock A. M.

TERMS OF SALE.—The slaves and other personal property will be sold on a credit of six months. The land will be sold for one-third cash, one-third in one year, and one-third in two years. Notes with good security bearing interest from date and having the force and effect of a judgment will be required for all the property sold. Purchasers may, on the day of sale, pay all or any portion of the purchase money in excess of the sum required.

Possession of slaves will be given on day of sale; and of the land on the 1st of March, 1864.

JOHN F. PAYNE, Com'r.

Dec. 14, 1863-tc.—[ch Observer & Reporter.

NOTICE.

THERE IS COMMITTED TO THE JEFFERSON county jail, as a runaway slave, a negro woman calling herself ELIZA. She is about 30 years of age, dark copper color, 5 feet high, weighing about 150 pounds, broad shoulders, and hairy legs, has very bad teeth. Says she belongs to James Hite of Bardstown, Ky.

The owner can come forward, prove property, and pay charges, or she will be dealt with as the law requires.

W. K. THOMAS, J. J. C.

Dec. 11, 1863-tm.

City Election.

OFFICE CITY COUNCIL, FRANKFORT, Dec. 1, 1863.

Ordered, That an election for eight Councilmen for the city of Frankfort, to serve for the ensuing year, be held in the Council Chamber, in said city, on the first Saturday in January next, so that the election be held at same time and place for City Attorney to serve same time, and that A. G. Cammack and R. A. Brown be judges to superintend said election.

By order of the Board:

G. W. GWIN, Mayor.

STATEMENT
OF THE CONDITION OF THE
ETNA INSURANCE COMPANY,
On the 1st day of July, A. D. 1833, made to the
Auditor of the State of Kentucky, in compliance
with an act entitled, "An act to regulate Agencies
of Foreign Insurance Companies," approved
3d March, 1833.

THE name of the corporation is **ETNA INSURANCE COMPANY**, and is located at Hartford, Connecticut.

The capital is **FIFTEEN HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS**, and is paid up.

ASSETS.

Par Value. Market Val.
Real Estate unnumbered. \$37,963 18
Cash on hand and in Bank. 88,990 92
Cash in the hands of Agents and in transit. 111,985 05
Harford, P. & F. Railroad, Mortgage Bonds, 7 per cent., semi-annual interest, \$44,000 39,800 00
Cleveland & P. A. Railroad, Mortgage Bonds, 7 1/2 per cent., semi-annual interest, 3,500 4,060 00
N. Y. Central Railroad, (Conver.) Mortgage B'ds, 7 per cent., semi-annual interest, 10,000 12,200 00
Cleveland & T. Railroad, (S. F.) Mortgage Bonds, 7 per cent., semi-annual interest, 25,000 27,750 00
Michigan, S. & N. I. R. R. (G'l Mort.) Mortgage B'ds, 7 per cent., semi-annual interest, 25,000 27,250 00
Michigan, S. & N. I. R. R. (2d Mort.) Mortgage Bonds, 7 per cent., semi-annual interest, 25,000 27,250 00
Atlantic Stock Co., Mortg'd Bonds, 7 per cent., semi-annual interest, 20,000 22,000 00
Harford & N. H. R. R. Co., Mortgage Bonds, 5 1/2 per cent., semi-annual interest, 38,000 41,800 00
N. Y. Central Railroad Co., Mortgage Bonds, 8 per cent., semi-annual interest, 30,000 32,400 00
N. J. R. R. & Trans. Co., Mortgage Bonds, 6 per cent., semi-annual interest, 19,000 19,000 00
Conn. River Railroad Co., Mortgage Bonds, 6 per cent., semi-annual interest, 10,000 10,000 00
Little Miami Railroad Co., Mortgage Bonds, 6 per cent., semi-annual interest, 3,000 3,360 00
Michigan Central R. Co., Mortgage Bonds, 8 per cent., semi-annual interest, 10,000 12,100 00
Rochester City Bonds, 7 per cent., semi-annual int., 25,000 25,000 00
Brooklyn City Bonds, (Walter) 6 per cent., semi-annual interest, 25,000 29,250 00
New York City Bonds, 6 per cent., quarterly, 75,000 86,250 00
Harford City Bonds, 6 per cent., semi-annual int., 33,000 42,940 00
Harford City Script, 6 per cent., semi-annual interest, 28,000 26,000 00
Town of Hartford Bonds, [1838 & 1839] 6 per cent., annual interest, 60,000 67,200 00
Jersey City Water Bonds, 6 per cent., semi-annual int., 25,000 28,500 00
United States Coupon Bonds 1874, 5 per cent., semi-annual interest, 205,000 200,900 00
United States Coupon Bonds 1874, 6 per cent., semi-annual interest, 125,000 135,000 00
United States [5-20] Coupon Bonds, 6 per cent., semi-annual interest, 100,000 100,000 00
U. S. Treasury Notes, [Aug.] 7.3-10 per cent., semi-annual interest, 57,300 60,185 00
Ky. State Stock, 6 per cent., semi-annual interest, 16,000 16,500 00
N. Y. State Stock, 6 per cent., quarterly interest, 31,000 35,650 00
N. J. State Stock, 6 per cent., semi-annual interest, 15,000 15,450 00
Connecticut State Stock, 6 per cent., semi-annual interest, 20,000 22,800 00
Ohio State Stock, 6 per cent., semi-annual interest, 100,000 112,000 00
Michigan State Stock, 6 per cent., semi-annual interest, 25,000 26,000 00
Indiana State Stock, 2 1/2 per cent., semi-annual interest, 76,000 45,600 00
Temporary loan to the State of Connecticut, with accrued interest, 101,530 70
Atlantic Mutual Insurance Co., Scrip, 1862, 1863, 500 Shares Hartford and N. Haven R. R. Co., Stock, 25,000 Shares Conn. River R. Co., Stock, 10,700 Shares Boston and Worcester R. R. Co., Stock, 15,515 00 20,000 Shares Conn. River Co., Stock, 10,000 Shares Mechanics Bank Stock, St. Louis, Mo., 20,000 Shares Merchants Bank Stock, St. Louis, Mo., 10,000 Shares Farmers and Mechanics B'k Stock, Phil. Pa., 40 Shares Etna B'k Stock, Hartford, Conn., 100 Shares Bank of Hartf'd Co. S'k, Hartford, Conn., 200 Shares City Bank Stock, Hartford, Conn., 100 Shares Charter Oak B'k Stock, Hartford, Conn., 275 Shares Exchange Bank Stock, Hartford, Conn., 13,750 13,750 00 40 Shares Farmers & Mechanics Bank S'k, Hartford, Conn., 300 Shares Hartford B'k S'k, Hartford, Conn., 100 Shares Merchants & Manufacturers B'k S'k, H'd. C. 300 Shares Phoenix B'k S'k, Hartford, Conn., 250 Shares State B'k Stock, Hartford, Conn., 150 Shares Conn. Riv. B'k Stock, S'k, Hartford, Conn., 400 Shares Am. Ex. B'k S'k, N. Y. City., 400 Shares B'k of Am. S'k, N. Y. City., 800 Shares Broadway Bank S'k, N. Y. City., 300 Shares Butchers & Drovers B'k S'k, N. Y. City., 100 Shares City B'k Stock, N. Y. City., 100 Shares Bank of Com't Stock, N. Y. City., 200 Shares B'k of Commerce Stock, N. Y. City., 100 Shares Hanover B'k S'k, N. Y. City., 300 Shares Importers and Traders B'k S'k, N. Y. City., 100 Shares Mercantile Bank Stock, N. Y. City., 200 Shares Market B'k S'k, N. Y. City., 120 Shares Mechanics B'k Stock, N. Y. City., 200 Shares Merchants Ex. B'k S'k, N. Y. City., 400 Shares Metropolitan B'k Stock, N. Y. City., 41,000 44,280 00 20,000 Shares Manhattan Co. B'k S'k, N. Y. City., 20,000 28,000 00

300 Shares Nassau B'k S'k, New York City, 30,000 31,800 00
200 Shares North River, B'k Stock, N. Y. City, 10,000 10,500 00
300 Shares Bank of N. Y. Stock, N. Y. City, 30,000 35,400 00
200 Shares B'k North America S'k, N. Y. City, 20,000 21,600 00
200 Shares Bank of the Republic B'k, N. Y. City, 20,000 21,600 00
40 Shares Ocean B'k Stock, New York City, 20,000 20,000 00
40 Shares Peoples B'k S'k, New York City, 10,000 10,600 00
500 Shares Pheas. B'k S'k, N. Y. City, 10,000 11,200 00
40 Shares Union Bank S'k, N. Y. City, 20,000 23,600 00
150 Shares N. Y. L. Ins. and Trust Co. S'k, N. Y. City, 15,000 31,500 00
100 Shares U. S. Trust Co. Stock, N. Y. City, 10,000 20,000 00
Total assets of Company, \$2,952,248 85

LIABILITIES.

The amount of Liabilities due or not due to banks and other creditors, None. Losses adjusted and due, None. Losses adjusted and not due, \$ 5,628 83 Losses unadjusted, in suspense, or waiting for further proofs, 137,107 12 All claims against the Company are small, for printing, &c. Total Liabilities, \$142,735 95

STATE OF CONNECTICUT.

Thomas A. Alexander, President, and Lucina J. Hendee, Secretary of the **ETNA INSURANCE COMPANY**, being severally sworn, deposes and say, each for himself says, that the foregoing is a full, true and correct statement of the affairs of the said Company—that the said Insurance Company is the bona fide owner of at least

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS of actual Cash Capital invested in Stocks and Bonds; that the above described investments, nor any part thereof, are made for the benefit of any individual exercising authority in the management of said Company, nor for any other person or persons whatever; and that they are the above described officers of the said **ETNA Insurance Company**.

THOS. A. ALEXANDER, President.
LUCIUS J. HENDEE, Secretary.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for said County of Hartford, State of Connecticut, this 23d day of July, 1863.
HENRY FOWLER, Justice of the Peace.

AUDITOR'S OFFICE, KY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for said County of Hartford, State of Connecticut, this 23d day of July, 1863.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, the 23d day and year above written.

GRANT GREEN, Auditor.

By C. BAILEY, Assistant.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the original on file in this office.

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